

tending meetings of such committees or while otherwise performing duties at the request of the Board Chairman while away from their homes or a regular place of business, may be allowed travel expenses in accordance with subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5.

(f) Staff services and utilization of Federal personnel

To provide the staff services necessary to assist the Board in carrying out its functions, the Board may utilize personnel from the Institute or any other agency of the Federal Government with the consent of the head of the agency.

(g) Definitions

As used in this section, the terms “computer system” and “Federal computer system” have the meanings given in section 278g-3 of this title.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 872, §21, as added Jan. 8, 1988, Pub. L. 100-235, §3(2), 101 Stat. 1727; amended Aug. 23, 1988, Pub. L. 100-418, title V, §5115(a)(1), 102 Stat. 1433.)

AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 100-418, which directed that this chapter be amended by substituting “Institute” for “National Bureau of Standards”, “Bureau”, or “bureau”, wherever appearing, was executed to par. (2) by substituting “Institute” for “Bureau of Standards”, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 100-418 substituted “Institute” for “National Bureau of Standards”.

TERMINATION OF ADVISORY BOARDS

Advisory boards in existence on Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period following Jan. 5, 1973, unless, in the case of a council established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such council is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a council established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. See sections 3(2) and 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

COMPUTER SECURITY

Nothing in amendment by Pub. L. 100-235 which enacted this section to be construed to constitute authority to withhold information sought under section 552 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, or to authorize any Federal agency to limit, restrict, regulate, or control collection, maintenance, disclosure, use, transfer, or sale of any information that is privately owned information, disclosable under section 552 of Title 5 or other law requiring or authorizing public disclosure of information, or public domain information, see section 8 of Pub. L. 100-235, set out as a note under section 1441 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works.

§ 278h. Appropriations; availability

Appropriations to carry out the provisions of this chapter may remain available for obligation and expenditure for such period or periods as may be specified in the Acts making such appropriations.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 872, §22, formerly §18, as added June 22, 1972, Pub. L. 92-317, §3(a), 86 Stat. 235; amended July 21, 1978, Pub. L. 95-322, §2(b), 92 Stat. 395; Oct. 15, 1980, Pub. L. 96-461, §10, 94 Stat. 2052; renumbered §19, Oct. 28, 1986, Pub. L.

99-574, §6(a), 100 Stat. 3237; renumbered §20, Oct. 28, 1986, Pub. L. 99-574, §8(a), 100 Stat. 3238; renumbered §22, Jan. 8, 1988, Pub. L. 100-235, §3(2), 101 Stat. 1724.)

AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-461 substituted “Appropriations” for “(a) Appropriations” and struck out subsec. (b) which authorized appropriations to carry out provisions of this chapter, including the Working Capital Fund referred to in section 278b(a) of this title, but excluding section 278f of this title, of such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1979 and 1980.

1978—Pub. L. 95-322 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

§ 278i. Reports to Congress

(a) The Director shall keep the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Representatives fully and currently informed with regard to all of the activities of the Institute.

(b) The Director shall justify in writing all changes in policies regarding fees for standard reference materials and calibration services occurring after June 30, 1987, including a description of the anticipated impact of any proposed changes on demand for and anticipated revenues from the materials and services. Changes in policy and fees shall not be effective unless and until the Director has submitted the proposed schedule and justification to the Congress and 30 days on which both Houses of Congress are in session have elapsed since such submission, except that the requirement of this sentence shall not apply with respect to adjustments which are based solely on changes in the costs of raw materials or of producing and delivering standard reference materials or calibration services.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 872, §23, as added Aug. 23, 1988, Pub. L. 100-418, title V, §5114(2), 102 Stat. 1432.)

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Science of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

§ 278j. Studies by National Research Council

The Director may periodically contract with the National Research Council for advice and studies to assist the Institute to serve United States industry and science. The subjects of such advice and studies may include—

(1) the competitive position of the United States in key areas of manufacturing and emerging technologies and research activities which would enhance that competitiveness;

(2) potential activities of the Institute, in cooperation with industry and the States, to assist in the transfer and dissemination of new technologies for manufacturing and quality assurance; and

(3) identification and assessment of likely barriers to widespread use of advanced manufacturing technology by the United States workforce, including training and other initiatives which could lead to a higher percentage of manufacturing jobs of United States compa-